standard functionalities of the Internet. In that spirit, section 5(b) provides that the Act does not apply to monitoring or interaction with a subscriber's Internet or other network connection or service, or a protected computer, to the extent that the monitoring or interaction is for security purposes, diagnostics, technical support, or repair, or for the detection or prevention of fraudulent activities. In significant part, the intent of this provision is to ensure that providers of Internet services (such as telecommunications carriers and cable operators) have the ability to conduct activities necessary to maintain the integrity of their systems. For instance, large-scale telecommunications carriers may not be held liable under the Act for enterprise-level management and maintenance activities within their own networks.

I would like to add that, in keeping with our Committee's bipartisan process, I am authorized to say that my distinguished colleague, Ranking Member DINGELL, agrees with this understanding of our bill.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT O. BONNELL, JR.

HON. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to Robert Bonnell, Jr. in recognition of his outstanding work at the Educational Opportunities Program (EOP). A resident of Baltimore, Maryland, he has worked tirelessly to ensure that Baltimore high school students stay in school.

Robert Bonnell founded the EOP in 1986 with the goal of reducing the high school dropout rate in Baltimore. His program assigns a counselor to individual high school students starting in the 9th grade. The counselor then works with that individual for four years to help them overcome obstacles to graduation. In addition, his program encourages students to further their education by attending college, enrolling in a trade school, or seeking an apprenticeship.

Mr. Bonnell's efforts have resulted in a 73% high school graduation rate for participants in the program. Sixty percent of EOP students are accepted into college after matriculation. Other participants actively seek postgraduate employment.

His commitment to his country did not begin with the EOP. He served in the U.S. Air Force, the U.S. Navy, and the U.S. Marine Corps from 1942–1953. He is a successful businessman, philanthropist, and patriot. He and his wife Barbara have a large, loving family that includes five children, ten grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the work of Robert Bonnell, Jr. His commitment and dedication to educating America's youth has been an inspiration to all of us.

ANNOUNCING THE PUBLICATION OF AN ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF PASSAGE THROUGH HELL: A MEMOIR

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June~7, 2005

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to announce the publication of an English translation of Passage Through Hell: A Memoir. The original version was written in 1955 by Armenian poet, educator and author Armen Anush. It has been published by Hagop and Klar Manjikian on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.

Armen Anush was an eyewitness to the deportation and massacre of Armenians by the Turks during 1915–1916. On April 24, 1915, the Turkish government began to arrest Armenian community members and political leaders. Many were executed without ever being charged with crimes. Then the government deported most Armenians from Turkish Armenian ordering that they resettle in what is now Syria. Many deportees never reached that destination.

From 1915 to 1918, more than a million Armenians died of starvation and disease on long marches, or were massacred outright by Turkish forces. From 1918 to 1923, Armenians continued to suffer at the hands of the Turkish military, which eventually removed all remaining Armenians from Turkey. The Armenian Genocide was a tragedy not only for the Armenian people but a tragedy for all humanity. Passage Through Hell: A Memoir is critically important because it recounts the horrors of genocide and the psychological impact it had on the survivors.

I hope the day will soon come when it is not just the survivors who honor the dead but also when those whose ancestors perpetrated the horrors acknowledge their terrible responsibility and commemorate the memory of genocide's victims. This book should be read by all whose ancestors were in any way involved and by everyone who cares about understanding history.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in paying tribute to Hagop and Klar Manjikian for making this important book available in English.

HONORING DR. BRUCE E. STORM, 2005 EDUCATIONAL LEADER OF THE YEAR

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join the Southern Connecticut State University's Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies as they honor my good friend, Dr. Bruce E. Storm with the 2005 Educational Leader of the Year Award. Dedicating a lifetime to public education, this award is a true reflection of the dedication and commitment Bruce has demonstrated throughout his career.

I have often spoke of our Nation's need for talented, creative educators ready to help our children learn and grow. With such an extensive background in education, ranging from the elementary level to the university setting, Bruce has been just that kind of teacher and administrator. Beginning his career as an English teacher at the middle and high school levels in Massachusetts and New York, Bruce has also served as an assistant principal, principal as well as a lecturer and teaching fellow at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. For the last 13 years, he has served as Superintendent of Schools in Branford, Connecticut—a district of over 3,700 students. Bruce has also served as an adjunct professor at Southern Connecticut State University and as a quest speaker and presenter at several local and national conferences.

With so much recent attention given to the success of public education in our country, it has always been a comfort to me to know that our community has an individual like Bruce working diligently on behalf of our children and our public school system. Teacher, principal, lecturer, adjunct professor, and superintendent, Bruce has prepared students at every educational level, ensuring that they have the tools and skills they need to be successful. I have had several opportunities to work with Bruce over the years and have always been in awe of his energy, generosity and compassion—every community should be so fortunate.

As the Chair of the South Central Area Superintendent's Association and Treasurer and Executive Board Member of the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents, Bruce has used his experience and background to benefit school districts regionally and across the State. In addition to these professional associations, he has also been an active member of several local organizations in Branford. Bruce was also recently recognized with the CABE Award for Excellence in Educational Communication for his electronic newsletter. Across the Fence. Though he will be leaving his position as Superintendent of Schools at the close of this school year, the many invaluable contributions he has made during his tenure will continue to enrich the lives of students for years to come.

For his years of dedicated service and good work, I am proud to stand today to join his wife, Mariah, son, Christian, family, friends and colleagues in extending my sincere congratulations to Dr. Bruce Storm as he is named the 2005 Educational Leader of the Year. He has left an indelible mark on this community and I can think of no one who is more deserving of this very special honor.

LETTER TO DR. MICHAEL D. GRIFFIN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, on May 26, 2005, I sent the following letter to Dr. Michael D. Griffin, Administrator National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):

House of Representatives,

May 26, 2005.

Dr. MICHAEL D. GRIFFIN,

Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC.

DEAR DR. GRIFFIN: NASA is able to develop long term, high-risk enabling aeronautics technologies that the private sector is unwilling to develop because they are too risky or too expensive. In fact, government funding of basic science has historically been the major role of government-sponsored research in aeronautics as well as the pharmaceutical, defense, and energy industries. When that basic research yields information that could lead to a service or product with profit potential, the private sector transitions the technology from research to development in order to bring it to market.

It is clear that where there is no basic research, there can be no development. Where there is no research and development, there can be no competitive industry. Without a thriving competitive aeronautics industry, we undermine our economy, national security, and airline safety.

Any management decisions that significantly erode NASA's aeronautics programs will require decades and billions of dollars to replace. We urge you to take all possible steps to preserve a robust aeronautics program at NASA.

Sincerely.

Dennis J. Kucinich,

Member of Congress.

CONGRATULATING THE EMMAN-UEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPIS-COPAL CHURCH ON THE DEDICA-TION OF THEIR NEW EDIFICE

HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Emmanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church as they dedicate their new edifice.

The Emmanuel African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church has served the San Antonio Community for more than 88 years. When first organized in 1917, the church was comprised of a small shed. As membership grew, the Emmanuel A.M.E. Church expanded, moving from building to building to accommodate their ever-expanding group of churchgoers.

By putting the principles of true stewardship to work, the Emmanuel A.M.E. Church has grown substantially from their humble beginnings. For Church members, the new edifice reflects God's goodness and grace, as well as their Church's dedication and appreciation for the Lord. The congregation now looks forward to worshipping in their new sanctuary.

I am honored to have had this opportunity to congratulate the Emmanuel A.M.E. Church on the dedication of their new edifice. The Emmanuel A.M.E. Church has provided the San Antonio area with guidance and stewardship, helping nurture and enrich faith in their community.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HARLEM RENAISSANCE DAY OF} \\ \text{COMMITMENT} \end{array}$

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the hard work and achievements of the Abyssinian Development Corporation and its Harlem Renaissance Day of Commitment in which I was pleased and honored to participate this morning. This organization has been a committed and active champion of the Harlem community, has worked diligently to promote the best of Harlem, and has created an environment that has facilitated the new Harlem Renaissance

The Abyssinian Development Corporation is a major not-for-profit organization that works on housing development, family services, economic revitalization, educational development, and civil engagement in Harlem. Starting in the small basement office of the Abyssinian Baptist Church, the Abyssinian Development Corporation has grown in prominence and respect for its handling of complex issues of social, economic, and political challenges facing Harlem. Today, the organization boosts a dedicated staff of 95 employees and community investment projects of over \$300 million.

Under the auspice of Reverend Calvin O. Butts III, the Abyssinian Development Corporation has been a faithful advocate for the Harlem community. Through the Central Harlem Local Development Corporation, it has promoted economic development and has attracted various businesses and corporations into Harlem. It has also been mindful of the need to provide essential services to the community and has addressed issues such as the improvement of education. The Thurgood Marshall Academy for Learning and Social Change has operated a successful Head Start program. These programs have been beneficial to the development and revitalization of Harlem and the Abyssinian Development Corporation continues to defend the interests of the community,

Today, the Abyssinian Development Corporation hosted a day focused on community leaders and Harlem culture. They paid tribute to the economic work and leadership of several dignitaries and dedicate time to draw attention to local and historical attractions within the community. A street festival, gospel celebration, and neighborhood tour will further highlight the various aspects of Harlem culture.

The Abyssinian Development Corporation has done a superb job of standing up for the people of Harlem and fighting for their interests. I hope that my colleagues here today will join me in applauding the efforts of this group over the last two decades. I submit for the RECORD the following CaribNews article on the work of the Abyssinian Development Corporation in the Harlem Renaissance Day of Commitment

Harlem Renaissance Day of Commitment June 7, 2005.—The Abyssinian Development Corporation (ADC), an innovative not-forprofit organization dedicated to renewing and reclaiming the spirit of community in one of New York City's oldest and storied neighborhoods, announces its eleventh annual Harlem Renaissance Day of Commitment on June 7, 2005. The daylong celebration highlights ADC's accomplishments, diverse programs and services while showcasing the revival of Harlem.

This year's Renaissance Honorees include: Robert Rubin, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Citi-group, Inc; Michael Lee-Chin, Chairman and Chief Executive Office, AIC, Limited; Ralph Lauren, Chairman & CEO of Polo Ralph Lauren Corporation; and Paula Madison, President and General Manager of NBC4 in Los Angeles.

The Leadership Breakfast is ADC's opportunity to honor those who have continually

and faithfully donated their time, resources and efforts to furthering the growth and revitalization of Harlem.

The day begins with a Leadership Breakfast, hosted by Rev. Calvin O. Butts III. The breakfast features more than 700 of New York's business, civic and political leaders and is held at the beautiful Great Hall of Shepard Hall, City College in the historic Hamilton Heights section of Harlem. The Leadership Breakfast (set to begin at 7:30 a.m.) will be preceded by a 7 a.m. VIP and press reception. Co-Chairs Rev. Dr. Calvin O. Butts III, Pastor, The Abyssinian Baptist Church: Edward Lewis, Co-founder, Publisher and CEO. Essence Communications: Saundra Parks, Chairman and Creative Director, The Daily Blossom; and Marianne Spraggins, President, Buy Hold America will preside over both the Leadership Breakfast and the presentation of the 2005 Renaissance Awards, during a celebration that will include Gospel Music and Southern-infused Cuisine.

Following the Leadership Breakfast is a tour of Harlem's historic neighborhoods, including Astor Row, Mt. Morris Park, Sugar Hill, and Striver's Row. Guests will see firsthand the various projects and programs of ADC throughout Harlem. The tour concludes at Odell Clark Place and 138th Street, allowing participants to visit Abyssinian Baptist Church. In the afternoon, ADC hosts a Street Fair on Odell Clark Place, complete with free food, music, games, amusement rides, entertainment and health information. The culminating event of the Harlem Renaissance Day of Commitment is an evening reception, A Taste of Harlem by Candlelight, at the Great Hall. The evening will feature entertainment from famed rhythm revue DJ Hernandez, live music "Soulnites," and a sample from some of Har-lem's and New York City's leading restaurants and caterers.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF GRISWOLD V. CONNECTICUT ON ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, we are fortunate to be able to say that most Americans now take for granted the right to access and use birth control. Yet, the 40th anniversary of Griswold v. Connecticut, which first legalized the use of contraceptives, reminds us that it was not so long ago that this right was in great jeopardy. The importance and impact of this landmark decision cannot be underestimated.

Ninety-five percent of women in the U.S. now use some form of birth control during their childbearing years and the number of unintended pregnancies has dropped significantly as a result of this widespread use. Thanks to the many publicly funded programs, women in all socio-economic groups have increased access to birth control. The ability to control and plan for childbirth has also created considerable improvements in the health and well-being of women, children, and families. We have seen dramatic decreases in the rates of maternal and infant mortality, and, at the same time, dramatic increases in maternal and infant health. Women's ability to control their fertility has enabled them to enter the workforce in unprecedented numbers which has contributed to the overall prosperity of our national economy.